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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

With reference to the Official action of March 31, 2008, made final, for which a response is permitted by June 30, 2008, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks in the hope that they will place the application in condition for allowance or at least in better condition for appeal. Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 5 of this response.

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